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PUC TO HOLD HEARING ON DIVERSITY ISSUES AFFECTING UTILITIES

SAN FRANCISCO, October 3, 2005 - The California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will hold its third public hearing on diversity issues affecting regulated utilities.

- WHAT:** California's Workforce in 2015 – Will We Be Ready?
- WHEN:** Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2005, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- WHERE:** State Capitol, Room 4203, Sacramento
- WHO:** In addition to inviting the CEO's of the major utilities to explain their diversity/workforce efforts, the PUC has also invited members of the State Legislature, representatives of labor organizations, industry, academia, community-based organizations, and the State Department of Insurance, which is considering its own diversity program.

The public is invited to participate in this one-day hearing to share assessments and views on this important issue, which has a vital significance for utilities, government, and communities. The Commission is interested in focusing on the common goal of encouraging California's investor-owned utilities, their customers, employees, and business partners to work together to benefit from California's diverse and growing population.

More information, including an agenda and possible remote access information, will be forthcoming and posted to our website at www.cpus.ca.gov and on the California Utility Diversity Council's website at www.cudc.biz.

If special arrangements are needed, such as sign and language interpreters, please contact the PUC Public Advisor's Office at 1-866-849-8390 or 1-415-703-2074, or by e-mail at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov at least three days prior to the event.

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